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TO : Chief, Foreign Division "M"

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FROM : Chief of Station, Karlsruhe

SUBJECT: GENERAL—

SPECIFIC— Biographical Information on Erwin BRANDT

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1. The following preliminary personality data were provided by GASTERY-2 who interrogated BRANDT at his home in the British Zone beginning of June 1951 with a view to determining his current employment status and the scope of his knowledge on illegal KPD activities which could still be considered as of current value. Keyed to Part I of the Personal Record Questionnaire:

1. Erwin BRANDT

5. 4 March (?) (Age between 50 and 55)

6. German

7. German

8. Freistatt 15 ueber Sulingen bei Hannover (Bethelstiftung)

10. Unemployed. Former Gestapo Kriminal Rat.

21. Claims no NSDAP Party membership.

25. G-2 officer with Leibstandarte Adolf Hitler toward end of World War II.

29. Entered the police service in 1917.

During the Weimar Republic member of Abteilung I A (Political Police) of the Berlin Police, in charge of the Communist Section (not known to [ ]).

Transferred to the Gestapo in 1933. His special field was the illegal KPD and the "Nationalkomitee Freies Deutschland". In American internment at Nuernberg and Dachau until 1948.

Transferred to British custody in 1948.

Detained at the Esterwegen Internment Camp until 1950.

Last position held: Kriminalrat, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer (Allg SS).

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2. It is requested that the following checks be performed:

a. Dr. KEMPNER who was in charge of the investigation of subject's activities and background, performed in Nuremberg be interviewed (FOB).

b. Dachau files on subject be obtained (COS).

c. File checks (COS, ☒ I, FDM) ☒ <sup>ALL WELA-1257</sup> Do not check with British.

3. A name check has been requested at the Berlin Document Center. BAUMANN and both former members of the Abteilung IA, will be interviewed by BOB.

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